

Village of Herscher Board Meeting
August 15, 2022 7:00P.M.

Village President Shannon Sweeney called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The following Trustees were present: John Branz, Skip Grigas Mike Bruner, Bob Voss, Jacob Wagner, and Andy Cotter. Also present, Public Works Employee Keith Witheft, Village Clerk Heather Meredith, Attorney Chris Bohlen, and Janet Mau from The Herscher Pilot.

Bob Voss moved to approve the Regular minutes of August 1, 2022; John Branz seconded. All in favor; Motion carried.

STREETS:

Bob Voss reported that the S Elm Street project has begun, the milling is done, and they will be paving the next 2 days. They also plan on doing the patches from the water main replacement project on N Oak after that. He added that Noffke is spraying weeds on the streets now.

FINANCE:

John Branz presented the Accounts Payable Report totaling \$54,596.02 to the Board for payment. John Branz moved to accept the accounts payable as presented. Skip Grigas seconded. Roll call taken Jacob Wagner-aye, Mike Bruner-aye, Andy Cotter-aye, John Branz-aye, Skip Grigas-aye, and Bob Voss-aye. All in favor; Motion Carried.

Payroll presented totaled \$15,654.49. John Branz moved to accept payroll as presented, Skip Grigas seconded. Roll call taken Jacob Wagner-aye, Mike Bruner-aye, Skip Grigas-aye, Andy Cotter-aye, Bob Voss-aye, and John Branz-aye. All in favor; motion carried.

John Branz added:

- Treasurer's Report for July shows a total in all accounts of \$2,380,179.82
- Personal Property Replacement Tax collected in July is in at \$2,718.98
- Telecom Tax is in from May is in the amount of \$1,302.49
- Local Share of the Cannabis Use Tax is in from July in the amount of \$245.31.
- Local Share of the Video Gaming Tax collected in July is in at \$2,210.82.
- Local Share of the State Use Tax is in from May in the amount of \$4,743.44.
- Local Share of Income Tax collected in July is in at \$12,331.74.
- Regular Sales Tax in from May in the amount of \$35,491.41
- 1% Non-Home Rule Sales Tax is in from May in the amount of \$15,038.64.
- Continuing to work on the Annual Treasurer's Report
- Continuing work with auditors on the FY 22 audit
- Sent \$100,000 of General Fund to The Illinois Funds
- The Illinois Department of Revenue based on the State's FY July 1, 2022 thru June 30, 2023 estimates Herscher should receive \$144,192 in Personal Property Replacement Taxes. We budgeted for our FY May 1, 2022, thru April 30, 2023 \$100,000.
- The Daily Rate for the Illinois Funds as of today is 2.183%

PARKS:

Andy Cotter said they will begin operation Labor Day to get the parks ready. He said we have had most of toilets replaced. He is going to get together with the baseball league about batting cage and dug improvements.

WATER AND SEWER:

Mike Bruner said the Oak Street project is near completion. He added we had talked about replacing the chlorine scales but Keith was able to repair the current ones so we will hold off until next FY. The next projects will be the generators and digitizing the water and sewer lines so they are easily accessible.

ORDINANCE:

Jacob Wagner said he had the manager of the Ruder Apartments ask about filling in the space of fence that was just installed so that her tenants quit parking at the park. She would also like us to implement no overnight parking in the parking lot at the park.

Jacob said that he and Jeff will be working on the amount inspections required per project and when inspections are needed.

POLICE:

Skip Grigas says the new squad car is finished and in use. Chief Scanlon said we need to start considering hiring some new officers. Labor Day will be tight having enough coverage, but we will manage.

OLD BUSINESS:

Village President Sweeney regretfully informed the Board that we did not receive the Downtown Grant.

After some discussion President Sweeney will be contacting Dr. Decman about the fence on the school road behind Elm Street to the sports complex. We have had several complaints.

NEW BUSINESS:

Nothing to report

OPEN TO THE FLOOR:

Janet Mau had a few questions.

Motion to adjourn by Bob Voss. Seconded by John Branz. All in favor. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Meredith, Village Clerk